



Heads Up— A Look at the Month Ahead

July is Recreation and Parks Month

Summer is the season when our department really shines through our programs and our people. Make the most of Recreation and Parks month by encouraging friends and neighbors to take advantage of all the great recreational offerings right here in Carlsbad. Your hard work keeps our community fun, healthy and safe — thanks for being a part of it!

Health & Wellness Weekend- July 7 & 8

Celebrate two days full of ideas and inspiration for healthy living. On Saturday, we present a Community Health and Fitness Expo, featuring a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, at Pine Avenue Park from 10 am to 2 pm. On Sunday, cheer on the competitors from Tamarack Beach at the 26th annual Carlsbad Triathlon.

Hot Rods & Cool Treats- July 28

Bring the whole family out for a day of classic cars and sweet treats, from 11 am – 2 pm at Pine Avenue Park.



Family Movie Night at the Park- August 4

"Grease" is the word! Re-create the feeling of a drive-in movie, except shown on a giant outdoor inflatable screen at Stagecoach Park. Fun and games for everyone, as we partner with Time Warner Cable once again to present this family-friendly event.

Friday Night Film Festival at Leo Carrillo- August 17–September 14

Experience the "Golden Age" of movies from the 1930's under the stars Friday nights at Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park. For a complete listing of dates and movies, visit www.leocarrilloranch.org.

August 17–18 Snores n S'mores

"Jurassic Camp" is the theme for our annual family camp-out at Calavera Hills Community Park.



More Awards for Recreation Department

On April 20, the Recreation Department received the "Commitment to Learning Award" at the Kids Included Together conference on April 20 at the Kona Kai Resort on Shelter Island in San Diego. We've been working with K.I.T. on developing our department's Inclusionary program. For more information on inclusion, contact Lori Swenck at x4649.



The Trail Blast program won the California Trails and Greenways Event Merit Award given in recognition of an important trail/greenway program. The award was presented on May 12 at the California Trails and Greenways Conference in Folsom, CA. Trail Blast was an idea that came from staff participating on our department's Health and Wellness Team. Go team!



Did you know...

You can now watch City Council meetings online at www.carlsbadca.gov. Each meeting and Council agenda will be posted online approximately two hours after the conclusion of each meeting. Past meetings will be available for up to a year on the City's own archive video portal. Users can conveniently "keyword search" through the audio/video content and "jump to" meeting discussion items in real-time using a drop down menu. Time Warner Cable channel 3 will continue to air live Council Meetings.

Around the Block

Announcements from the Department

Calling Aspiring Artists

The "On Your Own Time" Art Exhibition and Contest is coming to Cannon Art Gallery June 22–July 27. Anyone who is a City of Carlsbad employee or a family member of an employee is invited to participate. Artists chosen may be eligible for \$2500 in cash prizes awarded in nine different categories to artists of all skill levels and ages. More information will be available this month. Questions – contact Karen McGuire at x2022.

Welcome Kristie Young

Kristie Young is the new full-time office specialist at Harding Community Center. A resident of Fallbrook, Kristie has worked in the recreation field since 1991 in various positions, including over five years as a front office specialist.

Street Parking Available During Senior Center Expansion

Construction on the Senior Center Expansion and Recreation Administration offices at the Senior Center began on Monday, May 14 and is expected to be completed on or around Thursday, Nov. 1. The East parking lot will be utilized as an area for construction equipment and contractor offices and will be accessible to contractors only. It will be fenced at the Pine Avenue entrance; therefore, no public parking is available. Staff and patrons utilizing the Centro de Información and CIT trailer may park in the adjacent Pine Avenue Park parking lot or street parking on Pine Street and Harding Street. Pedestrian access to the CIT Trailer and Centro de Información will be available from Harding Street and Pine Avenue Park. The east doors to the Senior Center will be for contractors only. Senior Center patrons may park in the west parking lot and enter through the west doors.

The Crossings at Carlsbad Launches Official Web Site

The City of Carlsbad and KemperSports, golf course operator, today announced the launch of The Crossings at Carlsbad's official Web site, <http://www.thecrossingsatcarlsbad.com>. The long-awaited and highly anticipated 18-hole, championship golf course is scheduled to open to the public in August.

The new Web site, designed for easy navigation, features: golf course and clubhouse information, course layout and hole-by-hole descriptions, a page highlighting course architect Greg Nash, information regarding special events and outings, in addition to a range of other course-related content and graphics. Through the site's interactive components, visitors will have the ability to book tee times, group tournaments or special events online, as well as purchase online gift cards. By joining The Crossings at Carlsbad's online e-club, visitors will be notified of green fees and tee time availability.



Facilities Get a Makeover

Over the summer, watch for gymnasium floor resurfacing at Calavera Hills and Stagecoach Community Centers, as well as a new kitchen at Harding Community Center. These projects create a more customer-friendly and quality environment for everyone who visits our community centers.

Volunteers at Leo Carrillo

On April 28 and 29, 2007, more than 60 members of North Coast Church participated in a two day volunteer project at the Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park. Tasks included landscape improvement, disabled access trail repair and restoration, and construction of an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) picnic shelter pad. Nearly \$5,000 in materials and supplies were generously donated by North Coast Church to make the project a reality.



CPRS Corner

All the latest news from the California Parks and Recreation Society, District XII. CPRS provides opportunities for professional development, networking and advocacy.



June 9, 8:30 am – 12 noon
Recreation Leader Workshop -
"Cultivating Summer Staff"

Carlsbad Senior Center / Pine Avenue Park
\$15 per person / \$10 per person if 5 or more people
attending from the same agency

Workshop attendees will have the opportunity to choose from a variety of educational sessions with the focus on youth programming and development for summer camp staff. Experts in recreation and youth programs will be providing valuable information to education and motivate staff during their summer programs. Continental breakfast will be provided.

Register by June 4 with Kim Crawford, City of Vista,
kcrawford@ci.vista.ca.us.

CPRS 3-Day Leadership Development Academy – June 25-27
in Anaheim, CA. Scholarships available – visit www.cprs.org/leadership-leadership.htm.

High Five Club

High Five to **Manny Villalta** for assisting in establishing a women's soccer league. With his in-depth knowledge of the soccer community sure was a great help.

— **Steve Herrera, Adult Sports**

Just wanted to recognize **Lito Villalta** for staying late with me one night while I was here printing a lengthy report for another staff member. He graciously stayed past his shift end so I could finish up the project. If he weren't so flexible, it would've added extra stress to another staff member's already jam-packed schedule. Thanks Lito!

— **Kelly J Hock, Graphics**

Robert Cooper, Parks Maintenance: I want to take this opportunity to give **Robert Cooper** a high five for demonstrated excellence in problem solving. For months we had an unidentified water leak in the park that no one could seem to fix. For months, water slowly bubbled up from the ground, eventually making its way across a busy trail leading to a park entrance. Drastic measures were considered for repair, including trenching and the installation of special drainage lines. Robert investigated the problem further, and realized that the water was coming out of a conduit owned by SDG&E. After discovering this, he took it upon himself to contact SDG&E representatives and requested they visit the Ranch to have a look at the problem. SDG&E responded quickly and identified the source of the problem (which was coming from off site) and repaired it—problem solved! This potentially saved the City thousands of dollars in repairs and time away from other important tasks. I really appreciate Robert taking proactive and innovative steps to address maintenance issues, and I appreciate everything he does to keep the park looking beautiful on a daily basis.

— **Mick Calarco, Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park**

This High Five goes out to **Jason Schwartz** at Carrillo Ranch. This past month, Jason assisted a park visitor with a disabled vehicle stuck inside of the parking lot at Carrillo Ranch. Jason was able to quickly diagnose the problem and then employed a little creativity to get the guests vehicle running. After many thanks, the guest and her son were on their way home.

— **Charles Balteria, Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park**

Ken, Craddock, Gian and **Kevin**, I just wanted to let you know that I received raving reviews from a number of my colleagues about your TRUST presentation at conference! They were all very impressed! Congratulations on a job well done!!!

— **Gail Lynn, Senior Center**

High Five to **Mick Calarco** and **Charles Balteria** at Leo Carrillo Ranch for all of your support and encouragement. Mick and Charles both helped me to become familiar with the Parks and Rec. Dept. In addition, they were supportive in my quest to gain full-time employment as a Park Ranger. I am grateful for the time I worked at the Ranch and believe that what I learned at Leo Carrillo Ranch will help me in my career as a Park Ranger. Mil Gracias Caballeros!

— **Jason D. Schwartz, Leo Carrillo Ranch**

Rachael Shay, THANKS SO MUCH for your guidance and all your back-up while coordinating the Carlsbad Loves Kids event. I've been your baby bird these past few months and I appreciate your patience with all my questions while feeding me the advice needed to have a successful first event. And Melissa Carreon, THANKS for all your help and advice with Carlsbad Loves Kids. Your patience over the past month with all of my questions was so valuable and I appreciate all your back-up as I coordinated my first event. High Fives also to Kelly Houser, Kevin Granse, Steve Herrera and Gian Lauro.

— **Deidre Anders, Special Events**

Lolly Sangster, Thanks for the back-up regarding the T.R.U.S.T. wristbands and making it possible to get our order in with Youth Sports just in time. And Kelly Hock, HIGH FIVE for your patience with all of those last minute changes... you help us breathe easier when you can create what we thought was perfect and then make it exceptional! Thanks for going ABOVE AND BEYOND!!

— **Deidre Anders, Special Events**

A high five to everyone on the **Rec. Rats-TRUST** Softball team for their positive attitudes, team chemistry and ability to have a good time. T.R.U.S.T. at it's finest.

— **Kevin Granse, Youth Sports**

Jason Cunningham is a fairly new employee at Calavera Community Center. He is currently going to school working toward a bachelors degree in the Recreation field. Jason was hired as a Recreation Leader and although his primary job is setting up rooms and supervising in the gym, he has willingly learned how to help in the Registration office. Whenever he is available, he offers to help customers with their questions about our classes and the registration process. Jason, you deserve a HIGH FIVE as you represent the City of Carlsbad Recreation Department with your quality customer service.

— **Christina Sebring, Calavera Hills Community Center**

I would like to send a huge thank you to **Sue Pretzer** and **Aya Takemura** for all of their hard work with the Enrichment Class Program. They are not only dedicated employees but wonderful people as well. I am truly lucky to have such an amazing team around me at work.

— **Kelly Houser, Enrichment**

To **Rachael Shay, Diedre Anders, CITs** and all the staff who worked at "Carlsbad Loves Kids" - for doing such a good job - this was such an awesome display of teamwork!

— **Gian Lauro, Stagecoach Community Center**

To **Craddock Stropes** - for doing such a great job in preparing staff in giving a presentation at the CPRS Conference in Sacramento. Thanks Craddock for all you do, and did to prepare all of us for this big event!

— **Gian Lauro, Stagecoach Community Center**

SUMMER Selected Events

JUNE

- June 2 Happy B-Day! Brian O'Grady @ Harding
- June 7 Sr. Commission Meeting @ Sr. Center Art Studio @ 3pm, Payday
- June 18 Parks & Recreation Commission @ City Council Chambers @ 5:30pm
- June 21 Happy B-Day! Kathleen Shubin @ Rec Admin, Payday
- June 30 Happy B-Day! Dave Gorsline @ Swim Complex

JULY

- July 2 Happy B-Day! Mick Calarco @ Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park
- July 4 City Holiday
- July 5 Sr. Commission Meeting @ Sr. Center Art Studio @ 3pm, Payday
- July 7-8: Carlsbad Health & Wellness Weekend
- July 7 Community Health Expo at Pine Ave. Park, Happy B-Day! Lori Swenck @ Calavera
- July 8 26th Annual Carlsbad Triathlon
- July 16 Parks & Recreation Commission @ City Council Chambers @ 5:30pm
- July 17 Happy B-Day! Jesse Almada @ Calavera
- July 18 Happy B-Day! Judi Vincent @ Rec Admin
- July 19 Payday
- July 23 Happy B-Day! Kris Westland @ Senior Center
- July 28 Hot Rods & Cool Treats at Pine Avenue Park

AUGUST

- August TBD
End of Summer Barbeque
- August 2
Payday
Sr. Commission Meeting @ Sr. Center Art Studio @ 3pm
- August 4
Family Movie Night in the Park
- August 16
Happy B-Day! Bonnie Elliott @ Harding
Payday
- August 17
Friday Night Film Festival at Leo Carrillo
- August 20
Parks & Recreation Commission @ City Council Chambers @ 5:30pm
- August 24
Friday Night Film Festival at Leo Carrillo
- August 29
Happy B-Day! Liz Ketabian @ Rec Admin
- August 30
Friday Night Film Festival at Leo Carrillo
Payday

SEPTEMBER

- September 3
Labor Day – City Holiday
- September 6
Sr. Commission Meeting @ Sr. Center Art Studio @ 3pm
- September 7
Friday Night Film Festival at Leo Carrillo
- September 17
Parks & Recreation Commission @ City Council Chambers @ 5:30pm

In Case You Missed it

All-Hands Meeting – May 31
“Feel Great When you Recreate” was the theme of this bi-annual staff meeting.



Trail Blast Spring 2007
We're back on the trail!

HIGH FIVE CLUB

Send a virtual “high five” to a co-worker for a job well-done - let the whole department know how much you appreciate your teammates! “High Fives” will be printed in the FUNdamentals newsletter. To be considered for inclusion, send a note to Lolly Sangster via email or interoffice mail with the following information: Your name, Name of the person to be recognized, Why (in 25 words or less). We will run as many as we can fit, but may need to edit or reserve due to space limitations. Deadline Aug. 31st.